

P.S. Duplicates of the Patents that have been granted, I am told have been from Time to Time sent Home to the late Earl Granville, and the Counterparts are lodged in the Hands of M^r Munford² one of the Treasurers of this Province.-

Sent by M^r Elwin-

¹William Penn.

²Joseph Montfort, or Montford, (1724-1776) was born in England and came to North Carolina ca. 1750. He served as treasurer of the northern counties, 1754-1766, and was also clerk of the Edgecombe County court from 1758 until his death. Between 1762 and 1773 he was frequently a member of the assembly and was a member of the Provincial Congress of 1775. An active Mason, Montfort was in 1771 commissioned as Provincial Grand Master of Masons in America. He is buried on the grounds of the Masonic Temple in Halifax. Ashe, *Biographical History of North Carolina*, VI, 376-379.

William Tryon
to the Earl of Shelburne

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Earl Shelburne.

I have the honor to transmit to your Lordship inclosed, the minutes of his Majesty's Council for this province up to the present time.

I am with great respect.

Your Lordships most Obed^t

And most humble Servant.

W^m Tryon

[Sent by George Cordray.¹]

¹Efforts to identify George Cordray have been unsuccessful.